

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of:

AVENEL

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For:

VEHICLE EQUIPPED WITH A SYSTEM MAKING IT POSSIBLE TO CONTROL

AN OPENABLE-PANEL REMOTELY AND SYSTEM ALLOWING THE

IMPLEMANTATION OF SUCH A CONTROL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the prosecution of the above-captioned application, please enter the following amendments.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please add the following Abstract as follows:

The invention concerns a vehicle comprising a system enabling a user to control remotely an actuating mechanism (1) connected to an opening panel, in particular a boot opening panel (8). The control system comprises means, equipping the vehicle, for controlling at least an action of the actuating mechanism, according to the movement of an object, such as a hand, vertically in a delimited control zone adjacent to the opening panel. Said movement is determined from signals obtained from at least a movement sensor (7) placed on or proximate to the opening panel and whereof the radiation pattern if fixed to delimit the control zone.

